

We claim:

1. A conveyor chain having a plurality of links arranged in rows, each of said links including a top plate having a flat top surface and a hinge portion provided on said top plate pin-connected to front hinge portions of a link positioned on the front side and to a rear hinge portions positioned on the rear side, edges adjacent to links positioned on the front and rear sides in said top plate and said hinge portion each consisting of a curved surface characterized in that an angle of inclination formed by a flat surface including a tangential line with respect to said edge and said top surface of said top plate is formed to be smaller as it goes from the central axis of said link in its arrangement direction toward a link side surface.

2. A conveyor chain according to claim 1, characterized in that said top plate includes dummy front hinges on both sides of said link portion, edges adjacent to a link positioned on the front side in said front dummy hinges are each formed in a curved surface and that an angle of inclination formed by a flat surface including a tangential line with respect to the curved surface and said top surface of said top plate is formed to be smaller as it goes from the central axis of said link in its arrangement direction toward a link side surface.

3. A conveyor chain according to claim 1, characterized in that said top plate has a front edge arranged outside said link portion and slanted toward a link positioned on the rear side, an edge of said front edge, adjacent to a rear edge of a link positioned on the front side and that an angle of inclination formed

by a flat surface including a tangential line with respect to the curved surface and  
said top surface of said top plate is formed to be smaller as it goes from the  
central axis of said link in its arrangement direction toward a link side surface.

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